

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
Senator Bennett, Chair
Senator Norman, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Monday, March 28, 2011

TIME: 1:00 —3:00 p.m.

PLACE: *Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building*

MEMBERS: Senator Bennett, Chair; Senator Norman, Vice Chair; Senators Dockery, Hill, Richter, Ring, Storms, Thrasher, and Wise

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	SB 2042 Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax	Administration of Property Tax; Repeals provisions relating to the Property Tax Administration Task Force. Revises provisions requiring that certain information be included on the real property assessment roll following a transfer of ownership. Revises provisions requiring that a property appraiser file an appeal of a decision by the value adjustment board within a specified period. Clarifies provisions allowing a taxpayer to file an application for homestead assessment in the year following eligibility, etc. CA 03/28/2011 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
2	SB 2044 Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax (Compare CS/H 907, CS/CS/H 7005, CS/CS/S 728, S 1384)	Tax Administration; Repeals provisions relating to liability for taxes following the sale of a business. Clarifies provisions imposing certain penalties for noncompliance with requirements for reporting taxes. Authorizes the Department of Revenue to require that sellers of alcoholic beverages or tobacco products file information reports of sales of those products to retailers in the state. Authorizes the department to release unemployment tax rate information to certain additional agents providing payroll services for employers, etc. CA 03/28/2011 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
3	SB 890 Dean (Identical H 783)	Public Safety Telecommunicators; Exempts sworn state-certified law enforcement officers from certification requirements for public safety telecommunicators. CA 03/07/2011 Temporarily Postponed CA 03/28/2011 Fav/CS CJ BC	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0

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4	SJR 1954 Garcia (Identical CS/HJR 1321)	Home Rule Charter of Miami-Dade County; Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to authorize amendments or revisions to the home rule charter of Miami-Dade County by special law approved by a vote of the electors. Provides requirements for a bill proposing such a special law. CA 03/28/2011 Fav/CS JU RC	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
5	CS/SB 426 Judiciary / Latvala (Compare H 291)	Service of Process; Authorizes certified process servers to serve writs of possession in actions for possession of residential property. Authorizes a landlord to select a certified process server to serve a writ of possession. Requires a certified process server to provide notice of the posting of the writ to the sheriff. JU 02/08/2011 Fav/CS CA 03/21/2011 Not Considered CA 03/28/2011 Favorable RC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
6	SB 884 Latvala (Identical H 817)	Taxi Operators; Authorizes governmental units that regulate the operation of taxis to create a private property right in the license to operate a taxi. Provides for the transfer of such property right. Provides definitions. CA 03/28/2011 Favorable JU GO	Favorable Yeas 8 Nays 1
7	SB 1792 Diaz de la Portilla (Identical H 4001)	Growth Policy; Repeals provisions relating to the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program, to terminate the program. Conforms cross-references to changes made by the act. CA 03/28/2011 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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8	SB 1722 Fasano (Identical H 1163, Compare CS/CS/HJR 381, H 1053, Link CS/SJR 658, S 1564)	Ad Valorem Taxation; Reduces the amount that any change in the value of nonhomestead residential property resulting from an annual reassessment may exceed the assessed value of the property for the prior year. Reduces the amount that any change in the value of certain residential and nonresidential real property resulting from an annual reassessment may exceed the assessed value of the property for the prior year. Provides a first-time Florida homesteader with an additional homestead exemption, etc. CA 03/28/2011 Favorable JU BC RC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
9	CS/SB 530 Regulated Industries / Fasano (Compare H 1035, H 1195, S 1516)	Condominium/Cooperative/Homeowners' Associations; Revises provisions relating to the official records of condominium associations. Revises provisions relating to bylaws. Requires the vote or written consent of a majority of the voting interests before a condominium association may enter into certain agreements to acquire leaseholds, memberships, or other possessory or use interests. Provides procedures and requirements for partial termination of a condominium property. Authorizes an association to charge for collection services for delinquent accounts, etc. RI 03/16/2011 Fav/CS CA 03/28/2011 Fav/CS JU BC	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
10	SB 1904 Altman (Identical H 987, Compare H 7129)	Optional Sector Plans; Increases the minimum size of geographic areas that qualify for the use of optional sector plans. Revises terminology relating to such plans. Requires that public notice be given for scoping meetings between the state land planning agency and the local government. Revises the content required to be included in conceptual long-term overlay plans and detailed specific area plans. Requires identification of water development projects and transportation facilities to serve future development needs, etc. CA 03/28/2011 Fav/CS EP TR BC	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0

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11	SB 1248 Norman (Identical H 1173)	Enforcement of County & Municipal Codes/Ordinances; Authorizes notices relating to a code violation to be sent by certified mail to the property owner at an address provided to the local government for the purposes of receiving notices or to the registered agent of a corporation for property owned by a corporation. Deletes a requirement for such notices to be sent by first-class mail. Authorizes a code enforcement officer to immediately issue a citation for a code violation if the violator is engaged in violations of an itinerant or transient nature, etc. CA 03/28/2011 Fav/1 Amendment JU BC	Fav/1 Amendment (601934) Yeas 9 Nays 0
12	SJR 592 Bennett (Similar CS/HJR 439)	Veteran's Property Tax Discount; Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to expand the availability of the property tax discount on the homesteads of veterans who became disabled as the result of a combat injury to veterans who were not Florida residents when they entered the military. MS 03/17/2011 Favorable CA 03/28/2011 Favorable BC RC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
13	SB 1122 Bennett (Compare H 7021)	Growth Management; Extends the deadline for a local government to comply with the financial feasibility requirement for the capital improvements element of its comprehensive plan. Expands future land use categories to require the consideration of compatibility with adjacent lands, the preservation of recreational and commercial working waterfronts, public schools, and future municipal incorporation. Deletes consideration of future planned industrial use, based on certain criteria. Eliminates certain criteria specific to coastal counties, etc. CA 03/28/2011 Fav/CS EP BC	Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 1